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REMARKS

Applicant submitted Formal Drawings in the present case on October 3, 2003. In a November 14, 2003 Office communication, the drawings were objected to by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 and/or 1.152. Applicant has reviewed Draftsperson's objections and has amended the drawings to overcome the Draftsperson's objections. In addition, Applicant has amended the specification to reflect these amendments to the drawings. As such, Applicant respectfully requests acceptance of the proposed amendments. Additionally, Applicant has submitted revised Formal Drawings (incorporating the above-identified amendments) for reconsideration and approval by the Draftsperson.

In the November 14, 2003 Office communication, the Draftsperson maintained the following objections to the drawings submitted on October 3, 2003:

- "Erasures, alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds, copy machine marks not accepted. Fig(s) <u>ALL</u>"; and
- "Numbers and reference characters not plain and legible. Fig(s) 2A, 2D, 3, and 4B."

In responding to this communication, the Applicant has deleted drawings 2A, 2D, and 4B to overcome the stated objection. In addition, Applicant has amended Figure 3 to overcome the stated objection. Applicant has amended the specification to reflect these amendments to the drawings. Further, Applicant has reviewed all drawings to remove any "[e]rasures, alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds, copy machine marks".

With this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, the Applicant submits a "marked-up" version of the amended drawings (with the amendments shown in red ink) and a clean version of each amended figure. With these amendments, Applicant has added no new matter. The amendments to the drawings were made solely to bring the drawings into conformance with the Draftsperson's objections. Further, the amendments to the specification were made solely to reflect the amendments to the drawings.

Additionally, Applicant has filed herewith revised Formal Drawings which incorporate the above-identified amendments. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the revised Formal Drawings.

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If the Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with Applicant's attorney/agent would expedite prosecution of this application, the Draftsperson is cordially invited to call the undersigned attorney/agent of record.

Respectfully submitted,

Date:

February 17, 2004

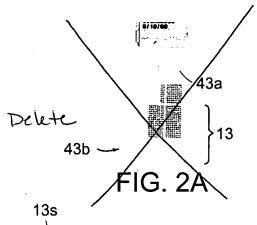
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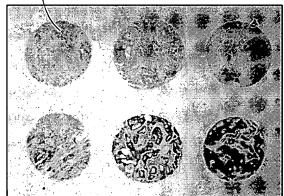
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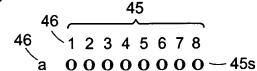
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BreastArray BR50 STAINED WITH CK7
SHOWING SELECTIVE STAINING (400X). TISSUE
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FIG. 2C 2B



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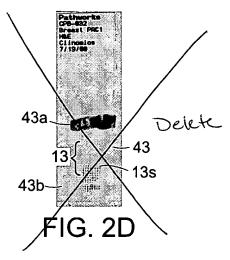
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FIG. 2B 2A



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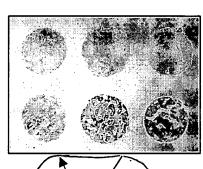
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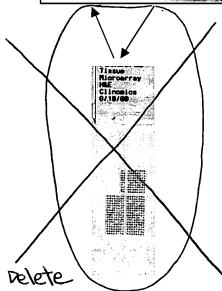
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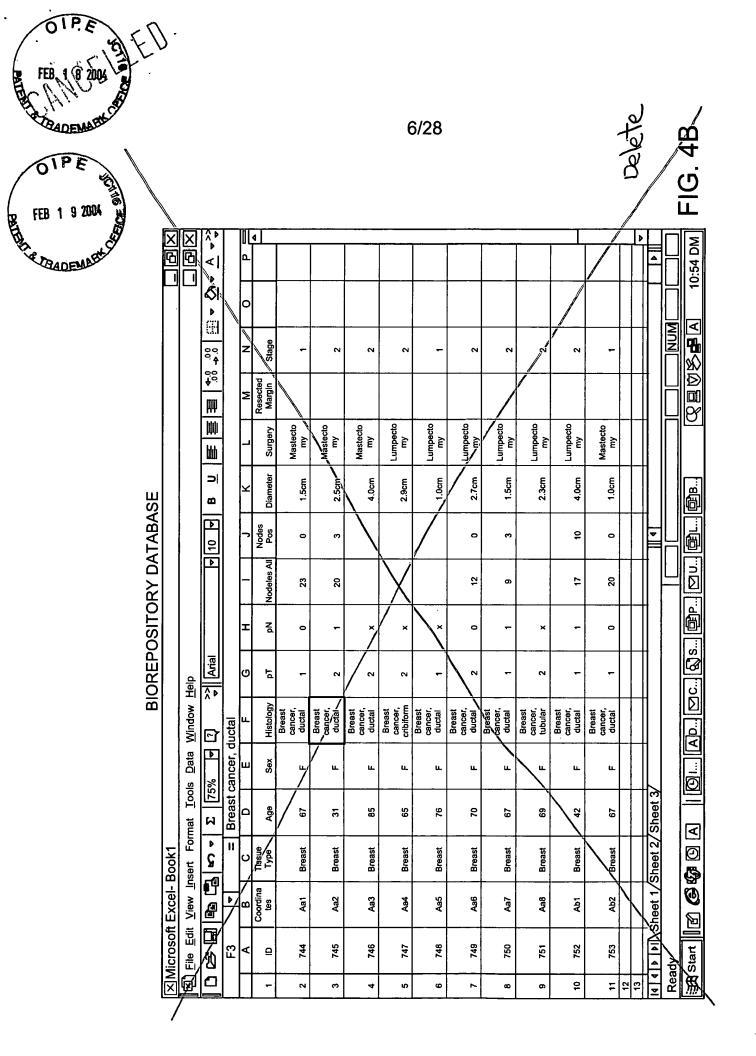


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FIG. 3





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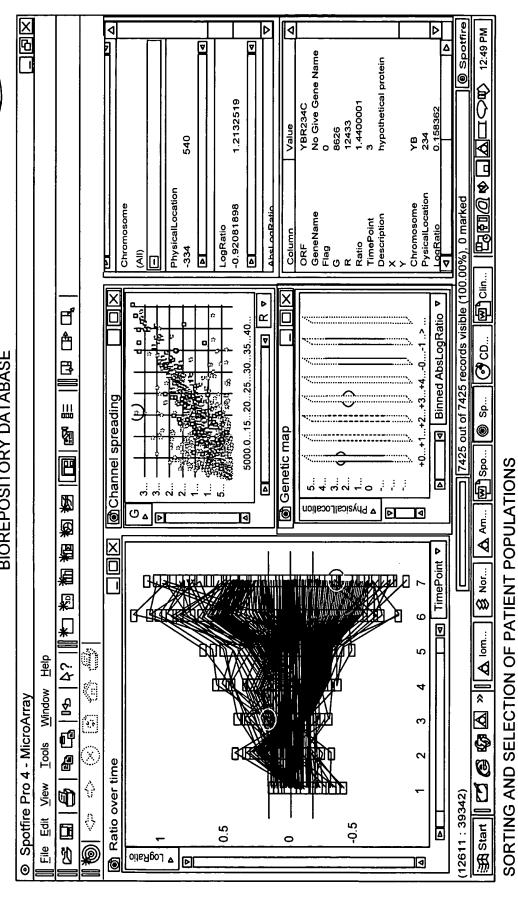


FIG. 4C-48

CLUSTER ANALYSIS

DEVELOPMENT OF EXPRESSION PROFILES VS MEDICAL DATA